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1.

In April 1951 a commission from Moscow surveyed all vehicles in the Soviet Zone of Germany. All vehicles requiring major overhaul or salvage were exchanged shortly thereafter. A majority of the wheeled vehicles were of US origin. They were in good condition and could be used in any large scale offensive action. I would say that 45 of the 48 trucks in my unit were US made.

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2.

Soviet units are issued full amounts of all type supplies. These supplies are not consumed during maneuvers but are maintained as basic loads. The supplies issued are similar in type and amounts to those which were issued prior to an offensive during World War II. The supplies issued are sufficient in quantity to enable forces in Germany to initiate an attack on the west.

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During period D-30 to D-day there is much activity in the receipt and shipment of supplies. This is particularly noticeable in FOL.

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